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FOR EA - ARMSTRONG FROM HUMMEL

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: NEW SECURITY OFFICERS

1. HERE FOLLOWS A TELEGRAM FROM PEKING CONCERNING
SENIOR CIVILIAN GUARD. PLEASE ENSURE THAT USLO DE-
SIRES REPORTED LONDON 7253 (BEING REPEATED SEPARATELY)
ARE CARRIED OUT.

2. TEXT OF PEKING MESSAGE FOLLOWS: QUOTE FOR AMBASSADOR
BRUCE FROM HOLDRIDGE. I UNDERSTAND THAT BLACKBURN DIS-
CUSSED WITH YOU HIS CONCERN THAT THE OFFICE OF SECURITY
AND THE SENIOR SECURITY OFFICER WOULD SEE HIS ROLE AS
SOMEWHAT LARGER THAN THAT OF A WATCHSTANDER AND DEPUTY
POST SECURITY OFFICER.

3. "IN TODAY'S POUCH WE RECEIVED A PARCEL ADDRESSED TO
THE 'REGIONAL SECURITY OFFICER, AMERICAN EMBASSY, PEKING'
WHICH CONTAINED THE COMPLETE SET OF INSTRUCTIONS AND IN-
FORMATION SHEETS WHICH THE OFFICE OF SECURITY PROVIDES
ITS REGIONAL OFFICERS.

4. "WE ALSO RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE REGIONAL SECURITY
SUPERVISOR IN HONG KONG ADDRESSED BY NAME TO THE OFFICER
WHO WILL BE SENIOR SECURITY GUARD AND IDENTIFYING HIM AS
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THE REGIONAL SECURITY OFFICER.

5. "WHEN THE SENIOR GUARD ARRIVES IN MID-MONTH, I, OF COURSE, INTEND TO OUTLINE FIRMLY HIS PARAMETERS. YOU MAY WISH, HOWEVER, TO MENTION TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY INGERSOLL IN YOUR TALK WITH HIM THESE DEVELOPMENTS WHICH ARE CONTRARY TO OUR UNDERSTANDING, WHICH WE THOUGHT THE DEPARTMENT SHARED, OF THE CIVILIAN GUARDS' FUNCTION AS WATCHSTANDERS. UNQUOTE.
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